LETTERS AND CALLS FROM MEN WHO'LL SIGN HIS PETITION.

The District Attorney Talks Some More About Freedom From Machine Domination and His Own Appointments -Says Morris Tried to Dietate Them.

District Attorney Jerome received a number of letters from voters yesterday saying that they would gladly sign a petition to nominate him for reelection as District Attorney. Others called on him pledging their support. Mr. Jerome was pleased with the expressions of good will with which his announcement as an independent candidate was taken.

In the course of the day he added to his formal declaration of Monday that it was against his principles to accept a nomination from a political machine to which he would be subservient in the administration of his office or the dictates of any political leader. Mr. Jerome took another whack at bosses and political machines. On this point he said:

"I myself am a very small factor in the situation compared to the principal issue involved. The big thing is to break down the evil solidarity of the political machines and to go over the heads of the groups of men who control these machines, or the bosses, directly to the people.

"To my mind this is the appropriate time to make the test. In advocating this principle I hope to create discussion all over the country, especially of local political affairs. What I want to bring out is whether the people are politically free or subservient to the one man power But whether I am successful or not, it will not shake my faith in the principle. However, I think this is the opportune time, as there is a feeling of unrest throughout the

"Can you call it political freedom when the people have the choice between two men, either of whom they would not choose voluntarily? Little or no responsibility is felt by the man who is elected by the votes of his party. As soon as he gets into office he begins scheming to hold it or to seek promotion to a higher office. And to whom does he go for promotion? To the men who control the political machines-the bosses. And every man who does this believes that his subservience to the political machine is necessary to hold his political

Mr. Jerome was asked if his action wouldn't bring forth a fine crop of candidates who thought they could be nominated by petition. "I don't think so," he said. "I am not fearing competition on that line. I believe that a man ought to know some-thing about the office he seeks. It would be absurd for me to come out for Supreme Court Justice or Mayor on a petition, but I consider I know something about the office I now hold." Then Mr. Jerome referred to the ap-

pointments he made when he was elected. "I received a visit from Robert W. Morris. then chairman of the Republican county then chairman of the Republican county committee. He came to me with a list of men whom he thought it would be advisable for me to appoint as assistants or in other capacities in the office. I looked over the list. I told Mr. Morris that if the men on it came up to the standard I had in mind I would gladly accept the list, and not only give all the appointments to the Republican organization, but would consider that the Republican county committee had conferred a great favor on me. mittee had conferred a great favor on me "Willis Munro came recommended by the Citizens' Union, but he only stayed a year, and I don't consider that of any con-

sear, and Toom tension that of any con-equence so far as politics is concerned. Shortly after the appointments of Assistants tarvan and O'Connor I learned that they were Tammany Hall men, but that made no difference. When I came into office I found William When I came into omice I found william I. McKenna as chief clerk. I learned that he was there through his connection with Tammany Hall. I knew nothing against him personally, nor did I know any of his virtues, so I decided to put a man in his office with whom I was acquainted and in whom I could have the trust the office demanded. But I gave McKenna several months to find employment, but at the end of that time he came to me and asked to be appointed to an inferior position. I did and his work has been efficiently and hon-

estly performed.

"Then there are John Redmond and Patrick J. Whalen, who is chief clerk of my records. I didn't know their politics when I appointed them. In fact, I didn't know Whelan's politics until he came to me and asked my advice as to whether he should run for the Assembly from his district. Whelan's work has been eminently satisfactors and the state of the sta Whelan's work has been eminently satisfactory and I am glad that I kept him. I do not think I know the politics of any other man in the office, and if I did it would make no difference."

Soon after this talk Mr. Jerome walked into Judge Foster's governing Concern.

into Judge Foster's court in General Sessions, where a lawyer was attacking a policeman witness. The lawyer caught hy, even Mr. Jerome has said that he

would not believe a policeman under oath, said the lawyer.
"I never made that statement," inter-rupted Mr. Jerome.
"I read it in the newspapers," said the

lawyer.
"If I made all the statements credited to me in the newspapers I would be in a lunatic asylum," said Mr. Jerome.

CUTTING WANTS JEROME FOR MAYOR. R. Fulton Cutting made the following statement last evening:

"Mr. Jerome's statement is characteristic of him. Back to the people, always strikes a sympathetic chord. Certainly in the memory of the oldest inhabitant no Dishas so well earned the right to ask for a re-nomination. The feature of his official life that has particularly commended itself is the way in which he has fulfilled his duty in entire indifference to political or social influence. I have known him for a long time, and believe I enjoy his esteem, but I would never venture to ask a favor of him, the granting of which in any way involved a change in his official action. "What I do not like about his statement

a change in his official action.

"What I do not like about his statement is his evident desire to try to take himself out of the Mayoralty race. I must frankly confess that I have for a long time cherished the hope that I would see William Travers Jerome the Mayor of New York city. There is no man who so forcibly emphasizes the Citizens' Union ideal of an administration, 'without spoils, favoritism or political influence.

"It is true that Mayor McClellan has filled the office of the Mayor with dignity and personal honesty. He has occasionally shown a desire to break away from the dictation of the spoilsmen, but he has left far toe much undone. He is still a victim to the fatal delusion that partisanship in municipal government is necessary, if not beneficial. Moreover, he has not touched upon what I believe to be the fundamental vice of partisan government in this city. I refer to the apparent collusion between certain great corporations and political bosses to exploit the people for private gain.

"During the next four years the question of subway development in this city will be determined on a large scale. Unless I am mistaken during the next Mayor's term one of the most important of the gas company franchises will expire. These two circumstances afford a peculiar opportunity for single hearted service. The next chief executive of New York will be the principal factor in determining these issues. I do not think Mr. McClellan has the political courage demanded. If he had he would have long ago dismissed Mr. Oakley. Jerome has the courage, as well as often qualities required. We do not want a Mayor to despoil the Consolidated Gas Company or the transportation companies, but we do want one who vill acted Gas Company or the transportation companies, but we do want one who vill acted Gas Company or the transportation companies, but we do want one who vill acted Gas Company or the transportation companies that Jerome possesses the latter qualification in unusual degree."

OFFER THEIR AID TO JEROME. AFTER AMERICAN BRIDGE CO. Housesmiths Talk of General Strike Be

cause It Sublet to Non-Union Firm. President Frank Buchanan of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers is in this city and will await developments in the strike of the housesmiths, ordered in New England against the American Bridge Company because the latter sublet a contract for structural iron work for the New Haven Railroad to the Boston Bridge Company, a non-union

A national strike against the American Bridge Company is threatened. The housesmiths say that the New Haven Railroad refused to give the contract to the Boston Bridge Company because it

employed non-union men and that the contract was taken by the American Bridge

Company.

The largest contract in this city of the American Bridge Company is the structural iron work for the new power houses of the New York Central Railroad.

President Buchanan said yesterday evening that a national strike against the American Bridge Company was very possible, and that "the fullest possible assistance will be given to the strikers by the international union." This statement was made on behalf of the

bridge company:
"We have the right to sublet our work, but no right to impose conditions on sub-contractors as to what men they shall em-ploy. We have an agreement with the ploy. We have an agreement with the union and employ union men when we do the work directly, but in subletting the work we give it to the lowest bidder if it is a re-

sponsible firm."

Many of the large contractors for structural iron work, it is said, are behind in deliveries of material. A strike would enable them to take the benefit of the strike clause in the contracts if work is not completed.

MITCHELL STICKS TO HIS TUNE. Tells the Miners Not to Be Content With Their Wages.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Aug. 1.-President Mitchell of the Mine Workers' Union, in addresses made at Nanticoke to-day and at Priceburg yesterday, declared that he would not be satisfied even if the present wages and working conditions of the mine workers existed throughout their lives.

"If you had a guarantee that present wages and conditions would continue wages and conditions would continue through life, men might possibly be excused for deserting the union," he said, "but there is no guarantee that they will continue after March 31, 1906. If I had a guarantee that they would be continued I would no be satisfied. I would still agitate for more wages, shorter hours and improved conditions. I would keep at it until mine workers are as highly paid as other crafts having the same hazards and risks.

"I shall not cease making demands until every boy and girl is in school,

til every boy and girl is in school, and not in the breaker or mill. Of course, I don't expect to be unreasonable. By saying that, I mean that we cannot ex-By saying that, I mean that we cannot expect wages to be better than the condition of the coal market affords, but the present market justifies more wages for the men."

Mitchell repeated his assertion that if the anthracite workers number 150,000 union members when the present agreement expires the union should be able to gain for them recognition of the union and an eight hour day.

PAPER HANGERS' NEW UNION. Hope to Bring Back the Old Days When

They Made \$50 a Week. The paperhangers, who were at one time the most strongly organized building trades body in the city, are to be reorganized as a separate body again, and will be Local 490 of the Brotherhood of Painters. About ten years ago there were about 80. paper hangers in the city and all were in the union. At that time, competent paper-hangers were earning as much as \$50 a week. hangers were earning as much as \$30 a week.
Then the members of the painters' union
did paperhanging also and pulled, down
the wages to \$4 a day.
Later the paperhangers became a separate union again, but could not command
more than painters' wages. The reorganization is in the hope of restoring former
conditions.

ROBERT E. DEANE SHOT. on of New York Manufacturer Killed in

FRESNO, Cal., Aug. 1 .- As a result of a drunken quarrel Emmott Riggins, a contractor, yesterday shot dead Robert E. Deane, a well known newspaper and magazine writer. Deane was living on the fifty acre vineyard which his father had given to him. Riggins, who had been drinking, invited Deane, who was drunk, to his home, and while there Deane made a remark to Mrs. Riggins which her husband construed as an insult. He opend fire and killed Deane.

Deane was the son of Royal E. Deane, a millionaire manufacturer of hotel supplies, with headquarters in New York. He once served as managing editor of the Philadelphia Press.

Royal E. Deane is the president of the Bamball-Deane Company, manufacturers of ranges, at 266 Water street. His home is at 154 West Ninety-fourth street.

CULKEN GETS THE \$4,00 JOB. And Clerk Fuller's Salary Is Docked \$10

a Week. The Justices of the Court of Special Sessions met yesterday in executive session and afterward announced the appointment of Charles W. Culkin as chief clerk, at a salary of \$4,000, and of William M. Fuller, who was chief clerk, at \$4,000 as depu ty clerk at \$3,500. Culkin's term is ten years and Fuller's five. Fuller had been chief clerk for ten years, and the news that Cul-

kin was to be appointed drew forth a few remarks last week from District Attorney Yesterday was also the beginning of Justice Zeller's ten year term and many flower pieces were sent him, including an immense horn of plenty from the Cannstatter Volkfest Verein.

New City Directory Out.

The new general directory of Manhattan and The Bronx was sent out yesterday by the Trow company. The volume is the 118th of its kind and contains 425,000 names, an increase of 24,268 over 1904. While it is impossible to issue an absolutely correct directory of the more than 2,500,000 inhabitants the publishers are confident that their

The high pressure area central over the upper lake regions caused cooler weather yesterday east of the Mississippi River. It was warmer at points in the Missouri valley, but in most sections the emperatures were moderate. The pressure was high over the morthern part of the country, ex-cept on the New England coast, and low in the southern districts. Heavy rain fell in New England and there were widely scattered showers and In this city the day was fair and cooler, with a shower in the evening: wind, brisk northerly; average humidity. 61 per cent.; barometer, cor-rected to read to sea level, at 8 A. M., 29.84; 3

The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the official thermometer, is shown in the annexed table 1905. 1904. 1905. 1905. 1904. 1905. 1905. 1904. 1905.

For eastern New York and New England, partly cloudy on Wednesday: Thursday, fatr, light to fresh For District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia an . Eastern Penasylvania, feir on Wednes-day and Turrilay, little north to east winds. For western Penasylvania, Western New York un O.c., her on the dresday and Thursday, light

WASHINGTON PORECAST FOR TO DAY AND TO MORROW.

KOMURA AT THE NIPPON CLUB

NEW YORK'S JAPANESE COLONY ENTERTAINS PEACE ENVOYS.

Sato Says That He Assumes That Manchuria Will Revert to China-Komura Entirely Recovered-Witte Due To-day -Hopes to Float New Loan Here.

The Nippon Club last evening tendered a eception to Baron Komura and his suite. This was the last social gathering of any kind which the Japanese envoys will attend prior to the conclusion of the Portsmouth

The hour of the reception last evening was 9 o'clock and Baron Komura remained until nearly 11. Minister Takahira, Baron Kaneko, Consul-General Uchida and all the Japanese prominent in business circles in New York were present.

After speeches by Karon Komura, Baron Kaneko, Minister Takahira and others, the Baron and his suite were introduced to the other guests.

Baron Komura in his speech made no reference to the peace negotiations, but he did express the wish that there might be a better understanding in the future between Japan and the United States. This was greeted with loud cheers by the Japanese

Baron Kaneko said that there were 80,000, 000 of people in America who are in sympathy with Japan in the present struggle, and that the Japanese ought to remember in all the future that "these recople" were with us.

"Some people," continued the Baron, say that there may be a conflict in the commercial world in the Far East between the Americans and the Japanese. This is not so. There is a strong line of demarcation between the articles exported from Japan to America and the articles imported into Japan from America. There can be no conflict of interests." The "class in Japanese history, manners

and customs," as Mr. Sato, of the Japanese Peace Commission calls his daily session with the newspaper reporters, had a short meeting yesterday afternoon. Pretty much everything Japanese, save Mr. Sato's own marvelous patience, has been exhausted in

Baron Komura, Mr. Sato said, has quite ecovered from his slight cold. His next public appearance will be on Saturday when he goes to Oyster Bay, where he and he Russian plenipotentiaries will be intro duced to each other by the President. The Mayflower will take the Russian envoys and the Dolphin the Japanese

These war vesels will be escorted from New York to Oyster Bay and from Oyster Bay to Portsmouth by the cruiser Galveston. The respective envoys will not meet until they come together in the presence of questions in the matter of precedence to

be solved. As to proceedings so far as the news papers are concerned when the work begins at Portsmouth Mr. Sato yesterday made an announcement.

"I shall not be able to continue the two daily recitations of the classes in Japanese history," he said, "when we reach Portsmouth. In fact, they will cease with our departure from New York. At Portsmouth I expect to have a good deal to do. Statements of whatever the Japanese commission wishes to be given to the press will then be issued, in typewritten form, probably, at such times and occasions as deemed proper." Mr. Sato was asked vesterday regarding

a cable despatch from Tokio to the effect that a grant of coasting privileges has been made to the Japanese in Corea.

"I should imagine," he said, "without any official information, that the cable refers to some remission of duties. The Coreans have very few vessels of their own, and so the coast trade has been carried on largely by the Japanese, while the coast of Japan is reserved to Japanese

Manchuria is a delicate field of discusion with Mr. Sato, but one of his inter viewers asked yesterday whether Man-churia is still claimed by the Chinese. "Yes," said Mr. Sato, without hesitation. "Manchuria is still claimed by the Chinese, and, if the Russians cease to occupy it, presumably it will return to China's posses-

other topics, of an academic nature, which Mr. Sato discussed in response to questions were the diversions on ship-board coming across the Pacific, automobile of the property biles in Japan, yarns about American gun-ners being in Togo's fleet in the recent battle, compulsory military service in

Japan and the weather. As to the American gunner yarn he said that he was of the impression that there were no foreigners whatever in Admiral Togo's fleet; as to compulsory military service in Japan he said that all males between certain ages had to serve three years in the army and that without having

years in the army and that without having a certificate of such service no man could get a passport to leave the country.

"We had various contests to kill time coming over on the steamer," he said. "In one of them three women were tied in the struggle for the prize, and Baron Komura was selected to decide who should be the winner. Some suggested that the three draw lots, but Baron Komura said that in Japan there was great respect for age,

draw lots, but Baron Komura said that in Japan there was great respect for age, and that the prize should go to the oldest of the three women. One woman claimed it and won it. She was over sixty."

At the St. Regis Hotel last evening it was said that Baron Rosen had left there some hours before and possibly would not be back until to-day. M. Witte, who is expected to arrive some time this forenoon or early afternoon on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, will occupy the rooms at the St. Regis which Baron Rosen engaged for him several days ago. it. Regis which is to convey the

The Mayflower, which is to convey the Russian party to Oyster Ray and thence to Portsmouth, was anchored off Ellis Isto Portsmouth, was anchored off Ellis Island yesterday afternoon, where she went to adjust her compasses.

The despatches received yesterday from Berlin and London to the effect that Mr. Witte, the chief Russian peace plenipotentiary, will attempt to interest American bankers in a new Russian loan were verified here yesterday. A representative of one of the largest banking houses said that leading bankers here expect to consult

leading bankers here expect to consult with Mr. Witte upon his arrival. PORTSMOUTH'S WELCOME. Arrangements Made for Formal Reception

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 1.-The arrival here next Monday of the Russian and Japanese envoys will be an interesting event. Arrangements for their reception have been practically completed by Assistant Secretary of State Peirce and Gov. McLane. The two ships bearing the envoys are expected to arrive in the harbor at 10 o'clock from Oyster Bay. As soon as the Mayflower, with the Russian representatives on board, and the Dolphin, tearing those from Japan, have anchored off the navy yard, Rear-Admiral W. W. Meade will visit both vessels, going first to the Mayflower and

then to the Dolphin. Upon his return to the navy yard the envoys will land from their respective vessels, and as they go over the side the Mayflower and the Dolphin will each fire a salute of nineteen guns. The salute will be repeated upon their arrival at the navy vard, which will be about 11 o'clock. After they have returned the call of Admiral Meade breakfast will be served at the general stores building. At 2 o'clock in the af ernoon carriages will be taken to Portsmouth, the envoys being driven through

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

W. W. ATTERBURY. General Manager.

head of the harbor.

Sulloway and Currier.

Kittery and over the long bridge at the

tended by his staff and council. Senators

Gallinger and Burnham and Congressmen

It is not expected that the ceremonies at

the court house will occupy more than fif-teen or twenty minutes. The envoys will

then be taken in automobiles to their per-

manent quarters at the Hotel Wentworth.

The arrangements for taking the pleni-

otentiaries back and forth between their

hotel and the navy yard, where the con-

ferences are to be held, are being kept

secret. The usual quota of letters from

cranks threatening the lives of the com-

missioners has been received in Washing-

ton, and to prevent any possible danger

to the lives of the distinguished foreigners,

it is regarded as necessary not to let the

public know when and how they will go

WITTE TO SEEK LOAN HERE.

Terms Offered by Prench Syndicate Con-

sidered Too High.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN

Despatch Boat Dolphin Loses Part of a

ried her toward the shore of the Cob Dock and her topmast coming in contact with the long crane of the big derrick was snapped half way up to the top. A new topmast will be put in place at once, as the Dolphin will leave the word are not as the Dolphin

will leave the yard again on Friday even-

DOUBLE RAID AT THE. ALLEN'S.

Whites Caught Downstairs and Negroe

Above-Mighty Little Evidence.

for about the eighty-seventh time. As

No better ever saw the man he was betting

with. This, according to some decisions,

Still, Inspector Hogan decided to raid.

Late yesterday afternoon Detective Sergeant Boyle and eight plain clothes men dropped in, walked up the stairs to the second floor, secured and gagged the look-out and walked in unresisted. There were sixty or seventy men in the place. The detectives declared them under arrest, and they fell for it without much disturbance.

Insane Woman Hangs Herself.

pena Farmer, wife of William Farmer,

committed suicide early this morning by

hanging. Her husband found her lifeless

body suspended in the hall from a rope

which had been fastened to the railing of

the stairs. Mrs. Farmer had been acting

strangely for some time. She was suffer

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MONTCLAIR, N. J., Aug. 1 .- Mrs. Phile-

bonfire in this room also.

Still, Inspector Hogan decided to raid.

knocked out marked bills as evidence.

employees were arrested.

The. Allen's place was raided yesterday

to and from the conference room.

being considered too high.

Passenger Traffic Manager.

General Passenger Agent

INSURANCE PROBERS MEET. The formal welcome to the State of New Hampshire will be extended by Gov. Mc-Lane at the Rockingham Court House in State street. The Governor will be at-

Counsel Yet to Be Named-Members to Give

ALBANT, Aug. 1 .- The special joint legislative committee appointed at the Hooker session to investigate the operations and financial management of life insurance companies in this State, and especially the management of the Equitable, held its first meeting to-day. All of the members were present. They are Senators William W. Armstrong of Rochester, chairman; William J. Tully of Corning (Republicans), and Daniel J. Riordan (Tammany), and Assemblymen J. T. Rogers of Binghamton, Robert Lynn Cox of Buffalo, William W. Wemple of Schenectady and Ezra P. Prentice of New York city (Republicans), and John McKeown of Brooklyn (Democrat).

and Assemblyman Prentice was selected as temporary secretary.

PARIS, Aug. 1.-It is stated that M. Witte s arranging a war loan through a combination of French and American bankers, the terms of the syndicate of French capitalists. through which he first tried to arrange one, The despatch boat Dolphin arrived at the navy yard. Brooklyn, yesterday. She is to be used to convey the Russian peace commissioners to Oyster Bay and to Portsmouth. As the Dolphin swung into the navy yard channel the wind and tide car-ried her toward the shore of the Cob Dock

"The members of the committee have arranged their personal affairs so as to give all their time to the work of the comnittee and the investigation will be pushed right along after counsel have been appointed and they have had a week or ten days to plan the work of the committee.

geant-at-arms of the Assembly, was elected sergeant-at-arms of the committee, and Charles R. Hotaling of Albany, who is the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, was named by the committee to act as its assistant sergeant-at-arms."

usual, Mr. Allen was not there, and as usual the police are very doubtful if their evidence would warrant a conviction. Eight Fly cops have been frequenting the place for two weeks. It was not hard to get in. The police say that the system was beautifully devised to head off detection. The clerks sat behind a partition, which set off their desks from the main room. The betters marked their choices and passed them, with the money, through the insurance scandals to a head. a little slit in the partition. The winners

"We realize," said Assemblyman Cox, mittee, "that we have a long and difficult task before us. The question is, Does life insurance constitute a private business or is it in a sense a public trust and should we safeguard the interests of the policyholders as we would the depositors of savings bank? The matter of investments and expenditures must be taken into account, and any legislation proposed should have the security of policyholders in view.

"But there is another subject which must ance.

It was then that Detective Minogue smelled something burning. The cops smashed a door in the back room and entered just as a bonfire, kindled on the floor, licked up the last official document in the place. Some telephones and a lot of racing cards nailed to the wall formed the only evidence captured. Seven men who seemed to have something to do with running the house were pinched. ne discussed—that is, the fraternal and assessment insurance companies. We should inquire into the question of whether rates are too high or too low to make insurance

TO ACT ON HENDRICKS REPORT. who seemed to have something to do with running the house were pinched.

Meantime two detectives had raided the third floor, where there was an annex for negroes. Twelve badly frightened blacks were told that they might go, and a clerk was held. There was a slot system and a bonfire in this room also.

table circles to a statement which James H. Hyde made several weeks ago in reference to the Union Pacific blind pool and which seems to have been overlooked by strangely for some time. She was suffering from melancholia, and last April Dr. Levi W. Case, with two other physicians, examined into her sanity and declared her insane. They recommended that she be committed to an institution for proper treatment, but her relatives objected and induced the husband to have her treated at home. the investigators, District Attorney Jerome included. It was in reference to the blind pool that Mr. Jerome visited Edward H. Harriman's office, and after examining the syndicate agreement declared that he could not find that the Equitable society had been a party to it. More than \$1,500,000 for the stock was taken in James H. Hyde's name and transferred by him to the society. In regard to this Mr. Hyde says in the coverleaded effectivents.

"I beg to state:
"That before the purchases were made or agreed to be made the subject was fully discussed with Mr. Alexander and his

Here Stery Didn't Save Highwayman. John Holmes, a negro who calls himself "Texas Jack," and says he is a hero of San Juan Hill, was sentenced to sixteen years in Sing Sing by Judge Foster in General Sessions yesterday. Holmes, who is built on the lines of a gorilla, was convicted of highway robbery.

ORGANIZE AT ALBANY AND WILL BE HERE TO-DAY.

All Their Time to the Work Once It Is Under Way-Meeting Room to Be Chosen in Some Public Building Here.

"We shall not select counsel for several days," said Chairman Armstrong, "though we discussed the matter. The committee will meet in New York to-morrow morning, probably at the Astor House, and try to secure a meeting room in some public building, which also will be the headquarters of the committee. There will be no committee headquarters at any hotel, but each member will shift for himself. We shall try to have the testimony of the committee printed by the State printer, so as to save expense. Attorney-General Mayer met with us to-day in an advisory capacity.

"Frank W. Johnson of Buffalo, the ser-

The members of the committee left for New York to-night on the boat. They realize that the big insurance companies will all have the best of counsel representing them during the investigation and that the committee should be as ably represented. There was some suggestion of Senator Edgar T. Brackett being selected as one of the counsel, on the ground that his fight in the Legislature had done much to bring

assent secured.

"2. That the syndicate agreement was signed by me in my individual name with the knowledge and consent of Mr. Alexander for business purposes and conveniences, but not for the purpose of gaining any profit or advantage for myself, nor have I ever derived any personal profit or advantage therefrom.

"3. That so far from the transactions having been consummated without the knowl-

ing been consummated without the knowledge of Mr. Alexander, he delivered to me the following letter with respect thereto which confirmed his previous assent: which confirmed his previous assent:

"James H. Hyde: In view of the fact that you have entered into a contract dated Nov. 2, 1902, between yourself, Messrs. E. H. Harriman, James Stillman, Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and others for the benefit of the Equitable society, and that the society is to receive the profits resulting therefrom, it is understood that the society from time to time will supply such funds as may be necessary in the transactions therein contemplated, and that you personally will be fully indemnified and protected against any personal liability or loss which you may incur or in any way become liable for in the course of the carrying out of said agreement." BEGINNING THIS MORNING,

The Half-Yearly Clearance Sale of Oxfords for Men.

\$6.00 Low Shoes for Men.

Of patent calf or colt, tan Russia calf, wax calf or gun metal calf, Blucher or plain models. Clearance Price

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pointed, medium or broad toes...... \$3.50 Low Shoes for Men.

Of patent coltskin, black velour calf or vici \ leather or rubber soles; comfortable broad toe lasts. Clearance Price

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Claim Agent for an Express Company Broken in Body and Mind-Hot Irons Put to His Feet-Lies Bound and Gagged in a Dark Boom for Two Days. CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—Union sluggers were

o-day connected with the attack on William H. Wilder, claim agent for the Johnson Express Company, on the night of July 6 at Market and Madison streets, and the sub-The session was executive. Senator sequent torture continuing over a period of three weeks, which has resulted in the mental and physical breakdown of the man. While detectives worked in the down-

town district to trace the movements since July 6 of three well known members of a wrecking crew" now out on bonds to secure their appearance for the slugging of a special policeman, a relapse came in the condition of Wilder at his home in Downer's Grove. His condition is critical and fear is expressed that he will never be able to tell the story of the assault coherently. Since Saturday night, when Wilder re-

gained consciousness and was able to make his way home, he has been under the care of his wife and Dr. W. A. Toso. He had been convalescing slowly and it was thought by the end of this week he would be improved enough to tell a more complete and detailed story, which would result in several arrests. To-day Wilder was taken with hallucinations which made him violent. "Don't tie my feet!" he oried repeatedly. "Oh, don't! Don't stick me! Don't tickle

Members of the Royal League and fellow veterans of the Spanish-American War to-day lent their aid to the investigation in the hunt down of the sluggers. The police have shown a disposition to let the matter drop and John E. Vannata, a lawyer, who was a captain in the Second Illinois Regiment, of which Wilder was a member, is directing the inquiry.

Money and revenge were the objects of the assault, which took place directly opposite the teamsters' headquarters at 274 Madison street. When the assailants had secured all the money Wilder possessed by torture, they tortured their victim more inding him to the floor and sticking pins into his flesh. When he regained conso ness he was bound and gagged and laid darkened by hanging a blanket over the only

For two days at least, he says, he lay on the floor of this room, bound and gagged, while three men stood over him, at intervals making use of different forms of torture, iincluding threats to burn his house and njure his wife. His wrists and ankles bear the marks of the cords with which he was tied, his mouth is cut and torn from the gag, and his body is covered with pinpricks, while marks on his feet bear out his claim that he was branded with hot irons.

OBITUARY.

Edward Russell Wilbur, secretary and treasurer of the Forest and Stream Publishing Company, died on Sunday at his summer home in Insurance Commissioners of Eight States

Meet in Chicago To-day.

The life insurance commissioners from eight States will meet to-day in Chicago to consider the Hendricks report. Representatives of the association of insurance departments met at the Hoffman House in this city more than two months ago to consult with Supt. Hendricks, and at that meeting he promised he would issue the preliminary report.

Attention was called yesterday in Equitable circles to a statement which James

Wilbur gave up all other business to devote himself entirely to the publication. He was well known among sportsmen.

Joseph H. H. Chapman of Newburgh died there on Tuesday, aged 82 years. In early life he succeeded to the grocery business of Joseph Hoffman, established in 1783. Mr. Chapman had held office in nearly every city board. At ene time he was chief engineer of the Fire Department, and Chapman is steamer Company is named in his honor. He had been a trustee of the Newburgh Savings Bank fifty-three years, a vestryman of St. George's Church forty-nine years, a charter member of Hudson River Lodge, F. and A., and its treasurer for thirty-nine years, and charter member of Highland Chapter. Hudson River Commandery, and King Solomon Council of Royal and Select Masters. He was also a prominent Odd Fellow. He was married twice, the first wife dying in 1876 and the second in 1888.

Charles Anthon Jones of Tompkinsville, Staten Island, died yesterday, after a prolonged illness, in his fiftieth year. Mr. Jones had been prominent in local affairs for over thirty years. He served as a member of the Richmond county Republican general committee and was active in the work of his party. If we was a veteran of the Seventh Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y. a member of Tompkins Lodge 17. A. O. U. W.: Edgewater Fire Department and other local organizations.

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Mrs. Sarah Montgomery Crawford, wife of Councilman Henry V. Crawford of Montclair, N. J., died yesterday. She was a native of New York city and a daughter of James Montgomery, & native of the town of Montgomery, Orange county, N. Y. She has lived in Montclair for the past fifteen years. Besides her husband two children survive her.

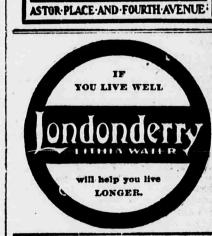
Mrs. Augusta Wood, wife of Zebulon G. Wood, a promoter, died suddenly at her home in Bloomfield, N. J., yesterday from a hemorrhage. Mrs. Wood was a member of Christ Episcopal Church. She is survived by her husband and four children. Survived by her husband and four children. Hell Cemetery at New Durham, North Bergen, died on Monday at Christ Hospital, Jersey City, in his sixty-ninth year. He lived in Hoboken many years.

William H. W. Bannister died in his seventieth year yesterday at his home. 433 Hoboken avenue, Jersey City. He served in the Sixth New York Cavalry in the civil war.

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CARLTON HEARING AUG. 17. Declares His Little Black Man Has Been

Located and Will Clear Him. Frederick E. Carlton had an opportu for an airing yesterday and he seeme to enjoy it. He was taken from Raymond Street Jail to the Adams street police court and arraigned on the charge of uttering and circulating obscene pictures. Upon motion of his counsel the hearing was set down for Aug. 17, the same day on which he is to have a hearing on the grand larceny

charge. Before going back to jail he was asked if he had discovered the whereabouts of his "double."

"Yes." he replied, "we know where he is now and he will be produced at the proper time and prove my innocence of many the charges they have made against me."
"Carlton is possessed of a rare sense of humor," said his counsel, J. S. Bennett.
Eleanor Vanderventer, accompanied by her cousin, Mrs. Lynch of Glens Falls, visited the Butler street court yesterday and renewed her bail bond of \$500 for her appearance on the checker picture charge. newed her ball bond of \$500 for her appearance on the obscene picture charge.

District Attorney Clarke expects to receive the report of Dr. O'Connor before the week is ended. Dr. O'Connor is making a chemical analysis of the organs of the second Mrs. Carlton, who died last March.

A woman dressed in black and wearing a heavy black veil, accompanied by a young man, visited Police Headquarters yesterday and conferred with Inspector Cross. It was soon noised around that the woman had called to see the inspector about Carlton. Inspector Cross would say nothing; except that the woman had given him important information, but whether it was portant information, but whether it was regarding Carlton he refused to say.

Fighting the Ambler Law. Seven bartenders, employees of seven keepers of saloons near the Fifth street police station, appeared in the Yorkville police station, appeared in the Yorkille court yesterday afternoon charged with violating the Ambler law. Their cases were continued until Thursday. Leonard Snitkin, who appeared as counsel, said to Magistrate Whitman that the men had been arrested illegally. He declared that when their employers had obtained their certificates the State had become a party to a contract that was binding on it and had no power to insert additional conditions no power to insert additional conditions in the contract thereafter.

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